Connecting all villages with roads

†272. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of villages in the country which are still devoid of inter-connecbng roads;

(b) the steps being taken by Govemment to connect these villages with road;

(c) the number of villages targeted to be connected with the roads every year; and

(d) by when all the villages are likely to be connected with roads?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) to (b) The unit for coverage under PMGSY is 'habitation' and not village. The primary objective of the PMGSY is to provide connectivity to all Unconnected Habitations in the rural areas with a population of more than 500 persons, through good All-weaiher roads. In respect of the Hill States (North-East Sikkim, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Utiaranchal, Desert Areas *and* Tribal (Sched-ule-V) areas, the objective is to connect Habitations with a population of 250 persons and above. As per estimates, the number of Habitations eligible to *be* covered under PMGSY is about 1.70 lakh. State-wise break up is given in the Statement (see below). States are required to make proposals annually, on the basis of budget allocations. Achievement of the goal will depend on the year-to-year allocations.

statement

State-wise Unconnected Habitations to to *covered under PMGSY*

SI. No.	Name of State	Number of eligible habitation to be covered under PMGSY
1.	Andhra Pradesh	960
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	618
3.	Assam Bihar	13144
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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

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5.	Chhattisgarh	12561
6.	Goa(Partial)	55
7.	Gujarat	4253
8.	Haryana	2
9.	Himachal Pradesh	3494
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	2792
11.	Jharkhand	10696
12.	Karnataka	876
13.	Kerala*	380
14.	Madhya Pradesh	18492
15.	Maharashtra	1751
16.	Manipur*	515
17.	Meghalaya	472
18.	Mizoram	286
19.	Nagaland	94
20.	Orissa	12953
21.	Punjab	536
22.	Rajasthan	11015
23.	Sikkim	318
24.	Tamil Nadu	2640
25.	Tripura	2091
26.	Uttar Pradesh	24284
27.	Uttaranchal	2605
28.	West Bengal	25288
	Total	171110

*Figures shown are provisional.